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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q78672

HAYASHI, Junji, et al.

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For: TWO-PIECE SOLID GOLF BALL

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Applicant submits the following comments in response to the Notice of Allowability dated April 23, 2004 and the accompanying Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

Applicant submits that the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance paraphrases the claim language of the present application and attempts to summarize the differences between the allowed claims and the prior art. However, Applicant submits that each of the claims is individually allowable based on the respective language and not based on any summary or paraphrasing of language that may be found in the Statement of Reasons For Allowance, and that each individual claim does not require additional clarification to determine its respective scope. Moreover, Applicant respectfully submits that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance does not necessarily accurately describe the prior art and does not identify all of the differences between the allowed claims and the prior art including the art expressly cited by the Examiner.

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Please enter Applicant's comments into the above-identified application. No response
from the Examiner is deemed necessary.

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